

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A charging opening arranged in the front side of the housing of a household appliance and which can be sealed by means of a door. A door handle, which can be fixed to a door frame, or a handle area, which is integrated into a door frame, enables the door to be moved with the hand. An optical display can signal the state of closure of the door and controllable illuminating means, internal to said device, can characterize operational states. The device improves perceptibility of optical signals which are emitted from a domestic appliance and to facilitate interpretation of the contents thereof by a user in relation to the situation of closure of the door. The door handle is provided with at least one illuminating means or is connected optically to said means such that the light can be emitted outwards from the door handle or handle area.